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Kuwait voices hope

## Syria hails Saddam

## Belgium attacks U.S. M.E. policy

BAGHDAD, July 17 (Agencies) — President Saddam Hussein of Iraq met Tuesday with Syrian Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam who arrived from Damascus earlier in the day with a message from Syria's President Hafez Assad.

The official Iraqi News Agency said Assad congratulated Saddam in the message for his succession of Ahmed Hassan Bakr as president of Iraq.

Bakr resigned Monday from his post for health reasons. Saddam replaced him automatically in accordance with the provisions of the interim constitution.

Saddam's first act in the foreign sphere was to dispatch an envoy to Damascus to reassure the Syrian leaders that changes in Baghdad will not affect Iraqi-Syrian relations.

The agency quoted Khaddam as saying Assad's congratulatory message to Saddam Hussein reaffirmed that "Syria and Iraq are determined to use all their capabilities to strengthen the march toward unity between the two sister countries."

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BRUSSELS, July 17 (R) — Belgian Foreign Minister Heinrich Simonet has come out strongly against any U.S. plan to intervene militarily in the Middle East to protect its supplies.

"The new President Saddam Hussein has virtually ruled Iraq for a long period," the official said.

In Tel Aviv, Israel's daily "Maariv" said Tuesday the switch in Iraq's leadership would not lead to any major changes in Bagdad's foreign policy.

"Under the leadership of its new president, Saddam Hussein, who is younger and far more ambitious than his predecessor, Iraq could now seek a greater involvement in regional issues," Mariv said.

The 31-member Iraqi cabinet named following Bakr's resignation is as follows:

First deputy premier, Taha Yassin Ramadan; deputy premier, Naim Haddad; deputy premier, Tariq Aziz; deputy premier and minister of transport and communication, Saadoun Ghaidan; deputy premier, Adnan Hussein; deputy premier and defense minister, Gen. Adnan Khairallah; foreign affairs, Dr. Saadoun Hammadi; education, Muhammad Mahjoub; justice, Dr. Muir Ibrahim; finance, Dr. Tamer Razzaq; housing and reconstruction, Muhammad Fadel; planning, Dr. Taha Ibrahim al-Abdullah; health, Dr. Riad Ibrahim Hussein; industry and minerals, Taher Tewfik; higher education and scientific research, Dr. Issam Abed Ali; oil, Tayeb Abdur-Karim; commerce, Hassan Ali; youth affairs, Abu'l-Karim Mahmoud; agriculture and agrarian reform, Amer Mahdi; minister of state for foreign affairs, Hamed Alaa; culture and information, Latif Yassif Jassem; irrigation, Abdu'l-Wahab Mahmood Abdulah; labor and social affairs, Babakr Mahmud Rassouli; religious endowments, Dr. Ahmed Abu-Sattar; minister of state for coordination between the central government and the Kurdish Autonomous Organization, Khaled Abd Osman; minister of state Hashem Hassan; minister of state, Abdulla Ismail Ahmed; minister of state, Aziz Rashid; minister of state, Obeidullah Mustafa; local government, Abdur-Fattah Muhammad Amin; and interior, Saadoun Shaker.

SIDON, Lebanon, July 17 (R) — Three Israeli gunboats shelled the Adloun coastal area of southern Lebanon Tuesday, killing at least one person and wounding three others, local residents said.

They said the boats fired nine shells at the area, situated midway between Sidon and Tyre.

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from an official visit to Iraq, was asked about his views on the security of the Gulf after disclosure of a U.S. plan to form a special strike force for action in a war in the Middle East or the Third World.

He said in an interview with the Belgian Radio Monday night that such an intervention might be justified only if a foreign power was threatening the territorial integrity of some oil-producing countries.

Simonet, who has just returned to the United States, was asked about a threat to a threat of military intervention in one part of the world is obviously dangerous, when that threat comes from a power that does not always give an impression of great coherence and resolution."

"Military intervention would certainly not solve the problem of countering a trend among some oil producers to reduce output, which the creation of a special force is supposed to answer. It is a problem that cannot be solved by military intervention," he added.

"It would make sense only if there was a distinct threat from outside the area to the territorial integrity of oil producers. If, for example, a great power tried to gain control of some oil producing countries.

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ROYAL WELCOME: King Khalid and Crown Prince Fahd were on hand Tuesday to greet Jordan's King Hussein when he landed at Taif airport at the beginning of a visit to the Kingdom.

## Mass rally raps Carter, Sadat, Begin

TEHRAN, July 17 (R) —

Nearly 500,000 Iranians demonstrated in Tehran Tuesday in a mass show in support for the country's unofficial head of state, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

Apart from slogans supporting Ayatollah Khomeini, the crowds chanted denunciations of President Carter, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Premier Menachem Begin.

Death to the three corrupt — Carter, Sadat and Begin, they shouted.

But violence continued in Iran's provinces. Bombs exploded in the Kurdish town of Baneh killing at least eight persons according to official sources in the northwest.

Cashes were also reported in the southeastern town of Iran-shahr and Meshkinshahr in the north.

The Tehran rally ended in pandemonium. Excited crowds, pressing forward to hear their speakers, knocked down a podium in front of the former parliament building.

The Iraquois government meanwhile issued a statement saying that Defense Minister Taqi Riahi had resigned.

Governorate spokesman Sadeq Tabatabai said Brig. Gen. Riahi had been resting for the past few days because of fatigue, while carrying on his official duties from home.

## Afghan rebels cut highway

PESHAWAR, Pakistan, July 17 (R) — Afghan rebels said Tuesday their forces had cut an important highway leading to Kabul, and surrounded a provincial center 100 kms (60 miles) south of the capital.

The center Gardez, was surrounded after a two-day battle last Thursday and Friday between insurgents and troops of Afghanistan's left-wing government, the rebels said in a statement reaching this town on Pakistan's northwest frontier.

They said surviving government soldiers had fled to Gardez after the battle.

## Summit talks begin in Taif

TAIF, July 17 (SPA) — King Hussein of Jordan arrived here Tuesday on an official visit for summit talks with King Khalid and other senior Saudi officials.

He was received at the airport by the King, Crown Prince Fahd, Defense Minister Prince Sultan and other princes and ministers. Two of King Hussein's sons also accompanied the Jordanian delegation on the trip.

A Jordanian newspaper, "Al Rai Al-Am" said the two monarchs would discuss coordination of policy and attitudes. King Hussein is making the trip, the newspaper said, "on account of the significance and influence of the Kingdom in Arab and world affairs."

The two leaders met again later at the Royal palace here, with full delegations from both countries taking part in the talks. They dealt with the situation in the Middle East and relations between the two countries.

## Conditions met

## Somoza flees; Urcuyo installed



MANAGUA, Nicaragua, July 17 (AP) — President Anastasio Somoza resigned early Tuesday and arrived later at heavily guarded Homestead Air Force Base near Miami, ending 42 years of dictatorship by his family. Members of Congress elected the president of their lower house, Francisco Urcuyo, to succeed him.

The State Department in Washington said Somoza landed at the base at 9:50 a.m. (1350 GMT) with a party of about 45 people in five planes.

Urcuyo, 54, was expected to serve only until the arrival from Costa Rica of the provisional Junta named by the Sandinista guerrillas, who in a successful seven-week rebellion fought Somoza's National Guard to a standstill.

One of Somoza's conditions for his resignation was apparently met by the junta. They agreed to merge his National Guard with anti-Somoza groups and not to purge the guard. This, among other promises was given to the United States and the Organization of American States over the past few days, sources said.

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Korean Interior Minister Cho Soo Koo signed for his government.

At a press conference Naif said the Kingdom's doors were open to South Korean workers, of whom many are already working in the country on a number of projects.

"Korean laborers enjoy the admiration of Saudi authorities because of their respect for the Kingdom's laws and regulations," he said.

Commenting on the visit, the Saudi ambassador to South Korea said it would certainly strengthen Saudi-Korea relations and cooperation.

The ambassador, Zia Al-Abideen Al-Dabbagh said the Korean government was keen on increasing cooperation and contributing to the execution of projects in the Kingdom and that the Prince's visit would go a long way towards doing that.

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Israel ousting West Bank mayors

EL BIRA, West Bank, July 17 (R) — Two Palestinian mayors on the West Bank Tuesday accused the Israeli military authorities of plotting to oust them from office by bringing charges that they assaulted police.

The mayors, Ibrahim Suleiman

and Tawil el Bira and Karim Khalaf of adjoining Ramallah, face possible trial later this month on charges of attacking police and causing a disturbance during a court session last November.

"They are trying to get rid of us because we will not cooperate

"They are trying to get rid of us through dirty tricks," Khalaf said.

Both mayors pointed to a similar case last year in which the mayor of Beit Jala, noted for his anti-Israeli sentiments was dismissed after being convicted of assaulting police.

The mayors denied the allegations, but a spokesman for the Israeli occupation authorities said:

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*And petrochemical projects***Japanese minister discussed oil supplies**By Timothy Sisley  
And James Buchan

JEDDAH, July 17 - Japanese Minister of International Trade and Industry Masumi Esaki left Jeddah Tuesday evening after talks with Saudi officials on Japanese participation in Saudi industrial plans that involves guaranteed supplies of crude oil.

Japan is wholly dependent on imported oil and took 30 per cent, or 1.5 million barrels a day, of its import total of 4.5 million bpd from the Kingdom last year.

Reports in Japan before the visit suggested that Esaki might be seeking a government-to-government contract for 250,000 bpd (94 million barrels a year) to help lessen the danger of any large-scale disruption of Japanese supplies.

One of the seven major industrial economies that agreed to set import quotas for oil at last month's Tokyo summit, Japan will be raising its imports between now and 1985 - by a minimum of 1.8

million bpd.

But Esaki met no Saudi oil officials during his three-day visit and Japanese officials insist that MITI was not seeking to take over the role of the Japanese private sector in importing crude.

Instead, Esaki held talks this week with Planning Minister Sheikh Hisham Nazer in which the subject of Japanese private sector investment in Saudi plans for heavy industries - and the associated oil entitlements as incentives - was raised.

Esaki told "Arab News" he informed Sheikh Hisham that MITI would "appreciate a stable supply of crude" in return for expediting the projects at Sheikh Hisham's request.

The government hopes to get agreement on at least two of the 10 planned refinery and petrochemical joint ventures this year.

The Japanese projects in question are a petrochemicals plant at Jubail under study by Mitsubishi

and 53 other Japanese firms and a methanol plant, also at Jubail, on which an agreement with Mitsubishi and C. Itoh of Japan is expected this November. Both are to be joint ventures with the Saudi Basic Industries Organization (SABIC).

On the petrochemicals plant, MITI stepped in last year to persuade Mitsubishi to continue negotiations with SABIC after a gloomy feasibility study in 1976. The ministry also offered to pick up half of the Japanese side's equity obligation last year.

Esaki said to "Arab News" he was told that Saudi Arabia commented generally on the Tokyo summit's results, expresses its pleasure at the medium and long term commitment but saying

they expected "more rigorous measures," to conserve fuel.

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His "very candid exchange of views" with Sheikh Hisham "has been greatly conducive to the further promotion of friendly relations". The two ministers "deepened our mutual understanding that we proceed with our dialogue on a basis of give-and-take."

They had discussed further areas for Japanese involvement in the Kingdom, and Esaki proposed joint research into desalination.

**Full interview in "Saudi Business" Thursday.**

**Next Plan to emphasize people, Nazer reiterates**

JEDDAH, July 17 - Minister of Planning Sheikh Hisham Nazer has confirmed that the major thrust of the Third Five-Year Plan, which comes into effect next year, is towards the development of human resources.

Speaking to "Al-Bilad," Sheikh Hisham said that the plan concentrates on the individual, whoever he may be, to train and qualify him to enable him to achieve a decent standard of living. In the villages, the most important projects will be education.

"Middle East Economic Digest" has reported that the finished version of the next Plan will be presented to King Khalid for his approval in November.

Sheikh Hisham promised a more astringent attitude to major projects. He said that some schemes are designed to be larger

than circumstances warrant, and the authorities have been instructed to scale down designs to more practical sizes to avoid waste. The government is "studying how to apply this process."

"We might need," he said, "70 or 80 years for economic progress, but every five years takes us a step that goal. The past five year plan concentrated on the basic materials, like the Jeddah site project, but we don't expect to achieve our general goals in five years."

"The Jubail and Yanbu industrial complexes might take another 30 years, and what has been achieved so far is only a part of the whole design."

He said that so many contracts in the Kingdom had been won by Far Eastern firms because they are cheap.

**Pilgrim team visits Pakistan**

JEDDAH, July 17 - A delegation led by Sheikh Abdul Wahab Ahmed Abdul Wasie, minister of Pilgrimage and Endowments, left Tuesday morning for Islamabad on a five-day visit to Pakistan.

During the visit, the delegation will hold meetings with Pakistan's religious affairs minister and other officials to discuss arrangements for Pakistani pilgrims, visit Lahore and Karachi and meet the governors of the Punjab and Sind Provinces.

The delegation includes Hosam Khashoggi, acting deputy minister for Minister's Office affairs; Said Omar Hussein Jaffi, director general of general administration Mujeem Khan, here Monday Abdul Aziz Faisal Al-Mubarak, morning to discuss the matters director-general of endowments relating the visit.



Sheikh Abdul Wahab Abdul Wasie Jeddah; Yusuf Shah, acting director-general of Pilgrimage in Jeddah.

The delegation is scheduled to return to Jeddah on July 21.

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**Rags lead to riches**  
**Jeddah beggary profitable**

JEDDAH, July 17 - A "beggar" speaking broken Arabic was arrested near the Akash mosque in downtown Jeddah with SR1,183 that he had collected between the sunset and night prayers.

According to the daily "Okaz", the "beggar", who had covered his hands in gypsum and plastic to simulate disease, was later found to be a specialist in the trade in the Gulf area. Further inquiries revealed that he lived in one of Jeddah's best hotels and took his meals in a de luxe restaurant.

Director of the Beggary Combat Office Hussein Sajimi told the paper that although his office made sincere efforts to eliminate medicancy, this sort of person returned to the Kingdom every time they were deported.

Campaigns have been continuing against this social evil, and "we are seriously trying to eliminate this scourge".

**Development planned****Work starts this year on new city of Jizan**

JEDDAH, July 17 - A site for new city of Jizan has been chosen, and this year work will begin to develop it, laying sewage, water and electricity lines and asphalt roads.

Speaking to "Al-Medina" Tuesday, Jizan Governor Prince Muhammad ibn Turki Al-Sudairi said that the Council of Ministers is studying the projected site.

He also said all planning has been completed for the inland towns of Abu Arish and Subia and work in their development will also start this year.

Interior Minister Prince Naif, he said, had ordered village complexes to be built in the areas along the border with North Yemen, and other villages will for the first time have electricity supplied to them this year.

In the government's efforts to assist farmer and expand the agricultural area, he said, several projects are being made to improve the quality of services to villages in the governorate.

Work on the second phase of



Prince Muhammad ibn Turki Al-Sudairi

the Jizan port project will begin this year. Electric power will be increased and a number of complexes will be built to house government departments.

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**Fahd gives to Indiana mosque**

RIYADH, July 17 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd has given \$29,682.00 towards the cost of buying an Islamic center and mosque in Indiana. The rector of Imam Muhammad ibn Saud Islamic University had appealed for donations for the project, and the Crown Prince responded with a check.

**Hafra Al-Baten to get power**

HAFR AL-BATEN, July 17 (SPA) — The Saudi Consolidated Electricity Company is building a 60 million watt power plant here. Its first two generating units will be completed by next summer, a further two eight months later.

**Solaiman in Damascus**

DAMASCUS, July 17 (SPA) — Commerce Minister Dr. Solaiman A. Solaiman arrived here Tuesday. He was received by the Syrian Minister of Economy and Foreign Trade Dr. Muhammad Al-Imadi

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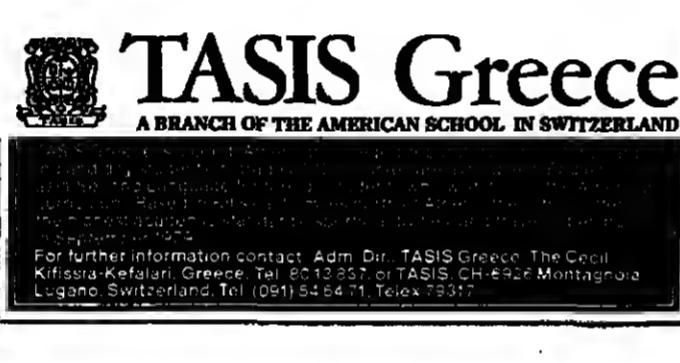
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As Soviets exercise Mediterranean fleet**U.S. admiral warns of Russian designs on oil**

GAETA, Italy, July 17 (AP) — U.S. Adm. Harold Shear, commander of NATO's southern European forces, said the expanding Soviet influence in Africa and the Middle East "seriously" threatens the West's oil and other supply lines.

"Should Soviet successes continue, the future conflict we all are striving to deter may well be won without a shot being fired as NATO and its lifeline oil and resources are effectively separated by Soviet strategies," he said.

The admiral made his remarks Monday at an outdoor change-of-command ceremony aboard the flagship of the U.S. 6th Fleet, guided missile cruiser USS Albany.

Vice Adm. William Small took over command of the powerful Mediterranean fleet from Adm. James Watkins, who has been named deputy chief of Naval Operations in Washington.

As Shear spoke to a crowd of several hundred in this peaceful little town on Italy's southwest coast, the Soviet Mediterranean fleet continued its largest exercise in recent years.

The Soviet maneuvers apparently are designed to practice anti-aircraft carrier and anti-submarine warfare, a U.S. naval official said. "The Soviets have deployed a more sophisticated fleet than in previous years," he said, adding that some 60 ships including the helicopter carrier

Leningrad are taking part in the exercise in the central and eastern Mediterranean.

The Soviets normally keep 40-45 warships in the Mediterranean, while the 6th Fleet deploys about 35 vessels around the year.

Shear said the "fullest impact of Soviet adventure, influence and encroachment appear readily apparent" throughout Africa and the Middle East. Citing turbulence in Iran and "disruption" in Afghanistan and Pakistan, the admiral said the situation is deteriorating rapidly on the

periphery of the Mediterranean basin.

To improve the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's strategic position and its military readiness,

Shear called for "a new Marshall Plan" to help modernize Turkish armed forces and revitalize Turkey's economy.

"Strong Turkey is indispensable for the Atlantic alliance. I'd say helping Turkey is the absolute, no. 1 priority for the NATO today," Shear said in an interview later.

Other officials also said Turkish

cooperation is essential in keeping the oil lanes open in the Mediterranean. They pointed out that there are 5 million barrels of oil in the Mediterranean at any given time on 300-plus ships.

The United States is engaged in delicate talks with Turkey over military and economic assistance and the question of American U-2 flights over that country to monitor Soviet compliance with SALT.

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## Zionist magnate faces ruin after U.K. court's decision

LONDON, July 17 (Agencies)

— One of Britain's leading Zionists, Cyril Stein — chairman of the Ladbrooke group — faces ruin after magistrates ruled Monday that the company must close its four luxurious London gambling casinos because it is unfit to run them.

The magistrates came to their decision after six days of hearings of questionable business practices by Britain's largest gambling group.

Over the years Stein has regularly donated millions of dollars to the Israeli war machine, much of this money coming from the tables of his four London casinos, which have a turnover of around \$300 million a year.

At the height of the 1967 war, Stein contributed an enormous sum to Israel at a whirpool in the St. John's Wood Synagogue.

The magistrates agreed with objections by the American-owned Playboy Club and Scotland Yard, and under the Gaming Act refused to renew Ladbrooke's licenses for the four casinos.

The magistrates declared Ladbrooke's "not fit and proper people" to run casinos.

More than \$33 million was wiped off the company's stock market value in late dealings Monday after the ruling.

The case centered on alleged unorthodox actions by Ladbrooke's aimed at enticing gamblers away from rival clubs in London's West End. The magistrates ruled the actions impermissible.

Private detectives hired by Ladbrooke's jotted down car numbers



Cyril Stein

members, witnesses said.

Thousands of pounds were paid to hotel porters to introduce prospective gamblers to Ladbrooke casinos, and some gamblers were paid commissions to introduce "big losers," Simon Tuckey of the official Gaming Board told the hearing.

Ladbrooke's lawyers accused Victor Lownes of the Playboy Club of objecting to the license renewal through jealousy and an eye to the "rich pickings" that could follow a shutdown of Ladbrooke casinos.

James Fox Andrews, lawyer for Ladbrooke's said, "The picture that has been painted of Victor Lownes as a latterday Sir Galahad donning his suit of shining white armor emblazoned with the word purity is so ludicrous as not to merit a moment's consideration."

Lownes said solemnly after the decision, "Ladbrooke casinos, like Playboy casinos, contribute to the composite glamor of the variegated scene which draws gamblers to London."

"British gaming has earned itself a reputation for the wisdom of its legislative structure and for the firmness of its administrative supervision. But its success depends upon the recognition by the general body of the industry that it will not tolerate any violation of the law by persons holding casino licenses."

Ladbrooke's casinos accounted for half the \$88 million profit last year. The firm's casino division, Ladbrooke Ltd., has 1,400 employees and 19,000 shareholders.

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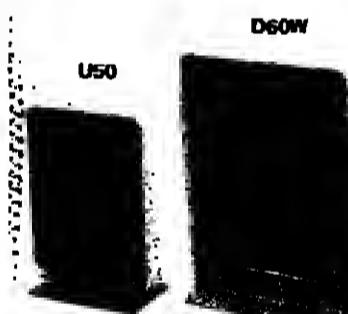
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WATER: Delhi is in the midst of a water crisis with workers out on strike demanding higher wages. The strike forced an adjournment of parliament over the past weekend before the resignation of Desai.

## Behind premier's demise

## Raj Narain: 'a dangerous enemy'

NEW DELHI, July 17 (AP) — Raj Narain, the Indian political maverick who lit the fuse on the country's latest political crisis, has played a key role in unseating two successive prime ministers.

It was Narain who defeated former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in her home district during the 1977 general election that also ended Indira's 11 years as prime minister. Earlier, Narain had filed the celebrated Allahabad Court case accusing Mrs. Gandhi of election fraud, sparking clamor for her resignation.

Narain again exhibited his skill as a political spoiler when he quit Prime Minister Moraji Desai's Janata Party last month, triggering nearly 100 defections from the party the past week that finally forced Desai to resign.

He is not, however, expected to stake a claim for the premiership and has repeated what he will not accept a cabinet post.

"An embarrassing friend but a dangerous enemy," was how an opposition leader described Narain, a scion of the royal family of Benares, who has a penchant for flamboyance, candor and outrageous statements.

Narain began his climb to fame with the successful prosecution of Mrs. Gandhi for electoral fraud after she defeated him by more than 100,000 votes in the 1971 parliamentary election.

He filed 14 allegations of fraud against her before the Allahabad High Court. In June, 1975, she was convicted of two charges involving the misuse of government servants to aid her campaign. The opposition demanded she should resign.

Two weeks later, Indira's government declared a state of emergency and jailed thousands of political opponents including Desai and Narain. Narain was among the last to be released after Mrs. Gandhi announced a general election in January, 1977.

Narain was selected by the Janata Party to fight Indira again and trounced the former prime

minister by a margin of more than 55,000 votes. Indian newspapers hailed him as the "ladykiller (sic)."

After he joined Desai's cabinet as health minister, Narain advocated celibacy as a way of reducing India's population of 634 million and recommended drinking one's own urine as a cure-all.

Indians didn't seem to think much of his views because the

## Rockslide feared

## Niagara Falls may tumble

with Canada.

A possible slide of as much as 200,000 to 300,000 tons of rock could create a new face for the horseshoe falls. He warned the Niagara Frontier State Parks Commission to hold off on plans to blast away a portion of unstable rock.

Engineers will probably not be able to control or stop a rockslide.

The Corps installed the seismic warning system that set off an alarm last Friday, indicating a shift of rocks at Terrapin Point, a narrow peninsula of land that juts out into the Niagara River above the falls.

## To replace Desai Indira throws support behind Charan Singh

NEW DELHI, July 17 (AP) — Indira Gandhi threw her support Monday to Charan Singh, the rural hick leader who hopes to succeed Moraji Desai as prime minister of India.

Singh resigned as Desai's finance minister on Monday morning and openly entered the race to succeed Desai, caretaker prime minister since he stepped down Sunday night.

The 76-year-old Singh said he was assured by Mrs. Gandhi, Desai's predecessor, that she would support a coalition government headed by him, and set no conditions in return for her support.

However, even with Indira's support and the 92 MPs he says support him, Charan Singh still falls far short of the needed majority in the 539-member Lok Sabha.

The political situation became more confused when Desai declined he should be given a chance to form the next government as leader of parliament's largest party.

The reluctance of Desai, 83, to relinquish Janata control hurt the chances of the other leading contender, Defense Minister Jagjivan Ram. Ram has remained in the party.

The Janata Party still remains by far the single largest party in the lower house, and I have therefore informed the president that it would only be fair and proper that the leader of that party should be called first to explore the possibility of forming a government," Desai said in a Monday night statement originally intended for nationwide broadcast.

Janata strength was estimated at about 200.

For the second consecutive night an address to the nation by Desai explaining his resignation was cancelled at the last minute. Sunday's speech was cancelled because it was decided it would be improper for him to appeal before parliament was informed. Monday's speech was cancelled because Desai decided a caretaker prime minister should not use official media for political statements, an aide said.

The Press Trust of India agency reported however, that Monday's speech did not convince Party President Chandra Shekhar, who said any delay in Desai's resignation from the Janata leadership would harm the party.

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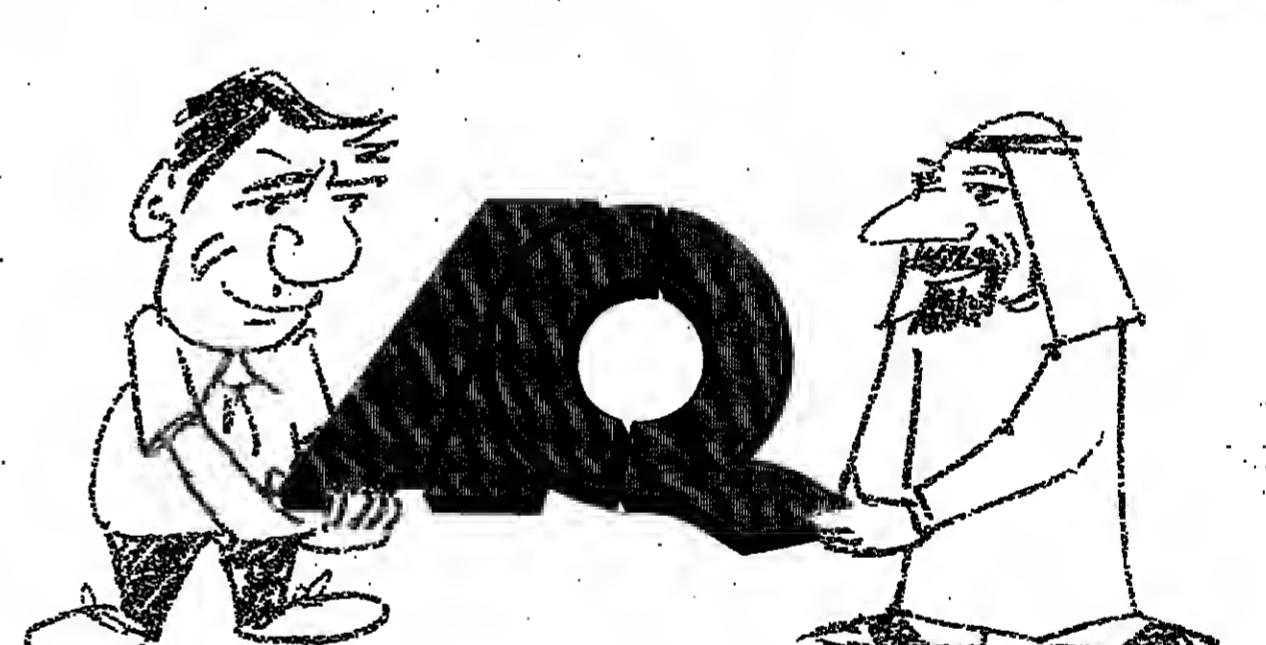
India after the state of emergency imposed by Mrs. Gandhi. He blamed its shortcomings on Janata Party members who were "swayed by personal ambitions."

"The experiment can still succeed if personal ambition could be subordinated to values and principles of democratic cooperation," he said.

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## PROMISING DEVELOPMENT

This week's change of head of state in Iraq was the first peaceful one since the overthrow of the monarchy in 1958. This is a heartening indication of the comparative maturity of the regime and the degree of stability in a country which has seen several extremely brutal coups and bloody intraparty feuds.

President Bakr, who came to power in 1968 by overthrowing Abdul Rahman Aref, ushered in the rule of the Baath Party in Iraq and since then has practically succeeded in putting an end to any attempts at changing the regime by force.

His methods were not always the most kindly ones but he managed to give the country a long spell of freedom from further couplings, which will always be his credit.

In the intervening period, Iraq has fallen foul of the local Communists, who conspired against the regime although they were partners in government. At the behest of the Soviet Union, the Communists actively worked to subvert the regime.

Their attempts were foiled and they were put down with extreme vigour, which has adversely affected the once flourishing Iraqi-Soviet relationship. A treaty of friendship with Moscow failed to alleviate mutual suspicions, despite Iraq's almost exclusive dependence on the Soviet Union for arms.

Bolstered by increased earnings from oil exports, Iraq has looked elsewhere and found in France a willing source to diversify its arsenals.

Another blow which must have unsettled Moscow was the dismissal of all Communist ministers from the government, a reminder that the Baath regime in Baghdad could continue ruling the country without Communist cooperation.

Bakr and his strong deputy, Saddam Hussein, achieved their biggest breakthrough when they settled their dispute with the former Shah of Iran and persuaded him to halt all assistance to the rebellious Kurds.

With the rebellion snuffed out, the regime could attend to the development of the country and the promotion of better relations with other Arab states. Both plans have achieved remarkable results. The country is a construction camp of hospitals, roads, schools and industrial projects.

Of special interest must be the improvement of relations with other Gulf countries, which had been strained under the onslaught of the Iraqi media for some years. Earlier this year the Saudi and Iraqi ministers of the interior signed a joint security agreement and there is now nothing but affection between Bagdad and the rest of the Gulf states.

Newspapers Tuesday led with the announcement by Defense Minister Prince Sultan about the purchase of the French Crotale missile. The resignation of Iraqi President Ahmad Hassan Bakr, the new Lebanese government and President Jimmy Carter's energy policy in the service of real peace and stability."

Commenting on the Crotale deal Al-Bilad said that: "Saudi Arabia continues its efforts to strengthen its fighting capability so that it may be ready at all times to defend itself, its beliefs and its stability." And by going to France to obtain arms it is diversifying its sources of arms and providing the armed forces with the latest weapons to enable them to do their duty properly. These duties include self-defense and a contribution to the liberation of occupied lands and the restoration of Palestinian rights.

"There is no doubt too," the paper said "that balanced French policies and attitudes towards the Arab make it possible to build bridges with France for greater cooperation both economically and in upgrading the Arabs' milit-

## Ethiopia army's battle to keep troops fighting

By Dan Connell

SAHEL, Eritrea —

"I hate fighting," said the 24-year-old soldier. "When my chance came, I left the frontline."

The speaker was one of 16 deserters from the Ethiopian army in the embattled Red Sea territory of Eritrea.

Two lay shivering with malaria under a nearby tree as others sat on the sandy bank of a dry river bed in the heart of the guerrilla base area of the Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF).

The soldiers spoke of the costly victories won by the Russian-backed Ethiopian Government against the Eritrean guerrillas late last year, followed by a lengthy stalemate which has left the rank and file of the army frightened and discouraged.

Most bad men of Ethiopia's peasant militia. They said they were conscripted through local peasant associations and sent here to fight for \$10 a month, half of which was taken from them as a compulsory contribution to the "call of the motherland."

They came from all over Ethiopia and had been in the Eritrean frontline since the opening 11 months ago of Ethiopia's all-out campaign to regain control of the strategic coastal territory.

A 19-year-old from Tigre province told of his experience in the battle of Elabaret last November, when his 400-man unit met a force of the EPLF.

He drew lines in the sand to show how he saw the guerrillas in front of them and then groups of herdsmen with their sheep and goats on both sides. By the time his unit was encircled, they realized the shepherds were also guerrillas.

Fewer than 150 of the 400 Ethiopian soldiers survived the two-hour clash, he said.

A 30-year-old from Wollega told of the near annihilation of the Ethiopian's 508th Task Force in fighting three months ago near the FPLF-held town of Nakfa. He said he watched a 500-man force of the elite Flame Brigade and a 500-man militia force enter the battle, but only 80 of the Flames and 14 militia returned.

The Ethiopian deserters predictably complained about their treatment by the Ethiopian Government and complimented the EPLF.

They spoke of seeing many of their fellow soldiers suffering from severe diarrhoea for which they received no medication. They said they had seen fellow soldiers die of thirst in the sunbaked Red Sea coastal plains while their officers scoffed at requests for water and insisted that they sacrifice themselves "for the motherland."

Four spoke of listening to the EPLF's radio "Voice of the Masses", which broadcasts in the Ethiopian language of Amharic, as well as in three Eritrean languages.

"It was forbidden but I listened when I could," said a 19-year-old from Wollo province. "They were explaining the bad deeds of the Derg and the positive developments of the EPLF. I was impressed. When I compared, I preferred to be with the EPLF."

Another said that, after being overhead criticizing the Government, he was relieved of guard duty and told to rest. "I thought they were going to kill me, so during the night I escaped."

None has a clear idea of what the future might hold. One said that he had seen 14 former pows released by the EPLF killed by the Derg in the city of Decamare earlier this year. "We cannot go back. We cannot stay here. I don't know what I will do," he said. — (OFNS)



## South Lebanon a daily target for Israel

By Jim Muir

KABRIKHA, South Lebanon —

This dusty, forgotten village in central southern Lebanon seems an unlikely spot for an Arab-Israeli confrontation. To reach it, you have to inch through flocks of goats along narrow, broken roads, watched by clusters of tiny children with old men's faces for whom the passage of one car is clearly the day's event.

The villagers are at a loss to understand why their homes have suddenly become the new front line in Israel's harsh policy towards its northern neighbor and the Palestinians. Surveying the flattened rubble of what until last Monday was home to her and her eight small children, Abdul-Hadi Hejazi, the wife of 65-year-old tobacco farmer, shakes her head and says: "why did they do it? I don't know. We have no idea."

Altogether five houses were summarily and expertly demolished here at two o'clock in the morning, leaving about 50 of the villagers homeless. The attackers, arriving on foot through the rocky hill country, left leaflets warning the people against collaborating with "terrorists." But the villagers — Shias Muslims — swear bitterly that they have not seen a single Palestinian commando since the Israeli invasion over a year ago, and even the local Lebanese leftists

have long since left.

Like other villages which have been the targets of recent incursions by Israel or its right-wing Lebanese Christian allies, Kabrikha lies inside the zone controlled by the United Nations peace-keeping force (UNIFIL). Israel has admitted full responsibility only for this raid and another three days earlier on Majdal Slem, a few miles to the south in the Irish contingent's sector of the UNIFIL area.

When they withdrew, the Israelis took with them three villagers. The body of one of them, schoolteacher Maaroof Alaudin, a member of the Lebanese Communist Party, was found nearby the next morning, shot through the heart at close range. The others have not been heard of since, despite UN representations.

Israel announced that the kidnapped men were "Palestinian terrorists" and the demolished houses had been used as bases by UN officers and the local villagers insist that both assertions are groundless.

The Israeli-backed militias of rebel Major Saad Haddad have made a number of similar forays into the UNIFIL zone, sometimes being intercepted and turned back. The Irish also report another new development: "Astoundingly accurate" artillery and mortar bombardments directly

on UNIFIL positions without warning. Only the luck of the Irish has saved them from serious casualties.

The U.N. has made official protests to Israel over the latest attacks and Lebanon has lodged a complaint at the Security Council. The campaign is clearly contemptuous of the UNIFIL role and presence.

As one UNIFIL officer put it restrainedly: "The Israelis are using a steamroller to crack a nut" — the only "terrorist" actions recorded in the Irish sector recently have been the firing of a few rounds of small-arms fire on enclave villages from about a mile away on two occasions.

A western military observer was more blunt: "Israel completely dominates South Lebanon. How long can it keep up this fiction of the threat posed by 'terrorist' activity?"

Israel has carried out no more bombing raids on Lebanon since the air clash with Syrian MiGs on June 26. The subsequent escalation on the ground in the south appears to represent a shift of tack aimed at keeping up the pressure. It has no effect at all on the Palestinians but keeps UNIFIL off-balance at a time when Beirut is trying to get together a new Cabinet pledged to further UNIFIL deployment into Haddad's border enclave. — (OFNS)

## African unity still an elusive goal for the OAU

By Michael Goldsmith

MONROVIA —

African foreign ministers have spent ten days in Monrovia debating the conflicts and rivalries dividing the black continent.

They came up with few solutions. But the debates behind closed doors underlined the sharpening confrontation between the African friends of the Soviet Union and the countries whose affinities lie mainly with the West.

By the end of their preparatory meeting for the African summit meeting, which opened Tuesday, the foreign ministers had failed to solve any of Africa's most divisive problems.

In every case of inter-African differences, from the Western Sahara to Rhodesia, the ministers either sidetracked the entire issue or passed it on to the forthcoming summit.

They did agree on many issues not in dispute among African countries, such as the need for economic development, or the non-recognition of the "internal settlement" in Zimbabwe-Rhodesia.

But they took no substantive decision on any matter affecting the interests of the rival power blocs that are increasingly prominent in African affairs.

A spokesman of the Organization of African Unity said the evasion of intractable problems was an old African tradition. "We tend to seek African solutions for African problems," he said. "That is why we look for conciliation rather than sharply defined decisions."

In practice however, the conflicts refuse to go away. The bitter Moroccan-Algerian conflict over the former Spanish Sahara has been fought fruitlessly at each of the OAU's annual summit meetings for the past four years. The Rhodesian conflict has disclosed as many differences among the Afri-

cans as within the black population of Rhodesia itself.

And while the inter-African conflicts are becoming sharper, so is the division of Africa into rival blocs.

There are three main groups: — The countries that receive a good deal of their weaponry, technical aid and ideological inspiration from the Soviet bloc. They include Ethiopia, Madagascar and the five former Portuguese colonies whose emergence as sovereign states was strongly influenced by Communist sympathizers in the Portuguese colonial army. Libya and Algeria also receive some Soviet aid.

— The countries that remain culturally, economically or militarily tied to the former colonial powers in Western Europe. They include Kenya, Senegal, Ivory Coast and most of the other former French colonies. Ever since President Anwar Sadat's expulsion of Soviet advisers, the moderate group has been joined by Egypt.

— A group of neutrals, led by Nigeria, Tanzania and Zambia, which try to keep a balance in the middle without rigid attachments one way or another.

African leaders and OAU officials dislike outsiders pointing to these conflicting lineups. Some blandly deny that they exist and attribute them to "imperialist propaganda" or "attempt to sabotage African unity."

In reality, however, these groupings — with variations from one issue to another — have emerged in the discussion of every major inter-African dispute inside and outside the OAU framework.

— In Rhodesia, the pro-Soviet group has urged formal recognition of the Patriotic Front guerrilla movement as the legitimate government of Zim-

babwe — the country's African name — thus theoretically allowing the guerrillas to call on Cuban, East German or other outside military support.

The pro-Western group, backed by many of the neutrals, would prefer the summit to call on the Patriotic Front to make a new effort to negotiate with Prime Minister Abel Muzorewa and other supporters of the "internal settlement." Not a single delegation has spoken in favor of the "internal settlement" as it stands.

## Lawrence: separating facts from the myths and the legends

*T.E. Lawrence*, by Desmond Stewart. In paperback by Paladin Books, London, 1979. 1.95 pounds sterling

By F.W. Rawding

JEDDAH—A man whose personality could stimulate such extreme opinions—"One of the greatest beings alive in our time" (Churchill); "A disgusting little" (Lawrence Durrell), or any number of conflicting attitudes in between, from uncritical praise to

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uel detraction—is likely to be orth reading about.

For the English generation which grew up between the two world Wars, Lawrence was a romantic knight who represented I that was excellent in British

imperialism. That imperialism was self-evident in that it tried, more than any other contemporary imperialism, to show that because over whom it was set really consented to it. The fact that they did not, in spite of "improvements" and an administrative system that was on the whole, just, efficient and incorruptible, was a painful lesson the British had to learn.

They did learn it, though, and within 25 years of the ending of the Second World War, they had dismantled the whole edifice upon which the sun would never set,

over-bearing, guilt-ridden mother and a somewhat ineffectual father who had abandoned the respectability of the minor aristocracy without entirely shedding its pretensions, presents, in Stewart's account, all the ingredients of a difficult and alienated development. This, more than anything else, must have been the origin of the frauds, the half-truths, the exhibitionism, the ambition, the self-loathing and, one may suppose, even the death of Lawrence.

Lawrence's circular bicycle tour of France in 1908 and a walk of many hundreds of miles, mostly alone, through Palestine, Lebanon and Syria, while he was still a student at Oxford, attest to his physical toughness and courage. His later minute study of Crusader castles prove that he was a keen observer and a very competent scholar. Archeological diggings at Carcassonne and the friendships made at that time, according to Stewart, gave Lawrence a short period of happiness. From this time too, comes his enthusiasm for the politics of Arab Independence (of Turkey, though, not of Britain). In that era, archaeology and espionage often went hand-in-hand and Lawrence's role as a British agent began long before the 1914-1918 war.

When the war came, in Stewart's words, "Lawrence's talents and experience were well-known to an appreciative, influential but tiny circle". In 1914 he was given the military rank of Second Lieutenant to serve in British Intelligence based in Cairo. He was generally contemptuous of the military machine and his brother officers.

Lawrence's antipathy for France, which was to prove, in the end, greater than his interest in the Arabs, began to be the principal stimulus of his political thoughts and actions from now on. The background to the strategic situation in the Hejaz at that time is well explained by Stewart and so is the British policy of detaching the Sheriff from his Turkish overlords.

In 1916 Lawrence wrote a secret report, "The Politics of Mecca," in which he concluded that the Arab Revolt would be in the long-term interests of British imperialism. In October of the same year he had his first sight of Arabia, in Jeddah.

The two years from 1916 to 1918 when, in the October, Lawrence left the triumphant but disorganized and squabbling Arabs in Damascus, is the gest period of the myth of Lawrence of Arabia. As Stewart points out, Lawrence led those two years of his life on a variety of different levels.

The perennial fascination lies in



Left: Dhu'l-Ashayr, the 15-year-old Arab boy who "enfused Lawrence's heart"



Amir Faizal: "We get on perfectly together," wrote Lawrence



The beginning: Lawrence (far right) with the 1906-07 sixth form, City of Oxford High School



The end: Lawrence in Royal Air Force uniform in 1935, the year before his fatal motorcycle crash

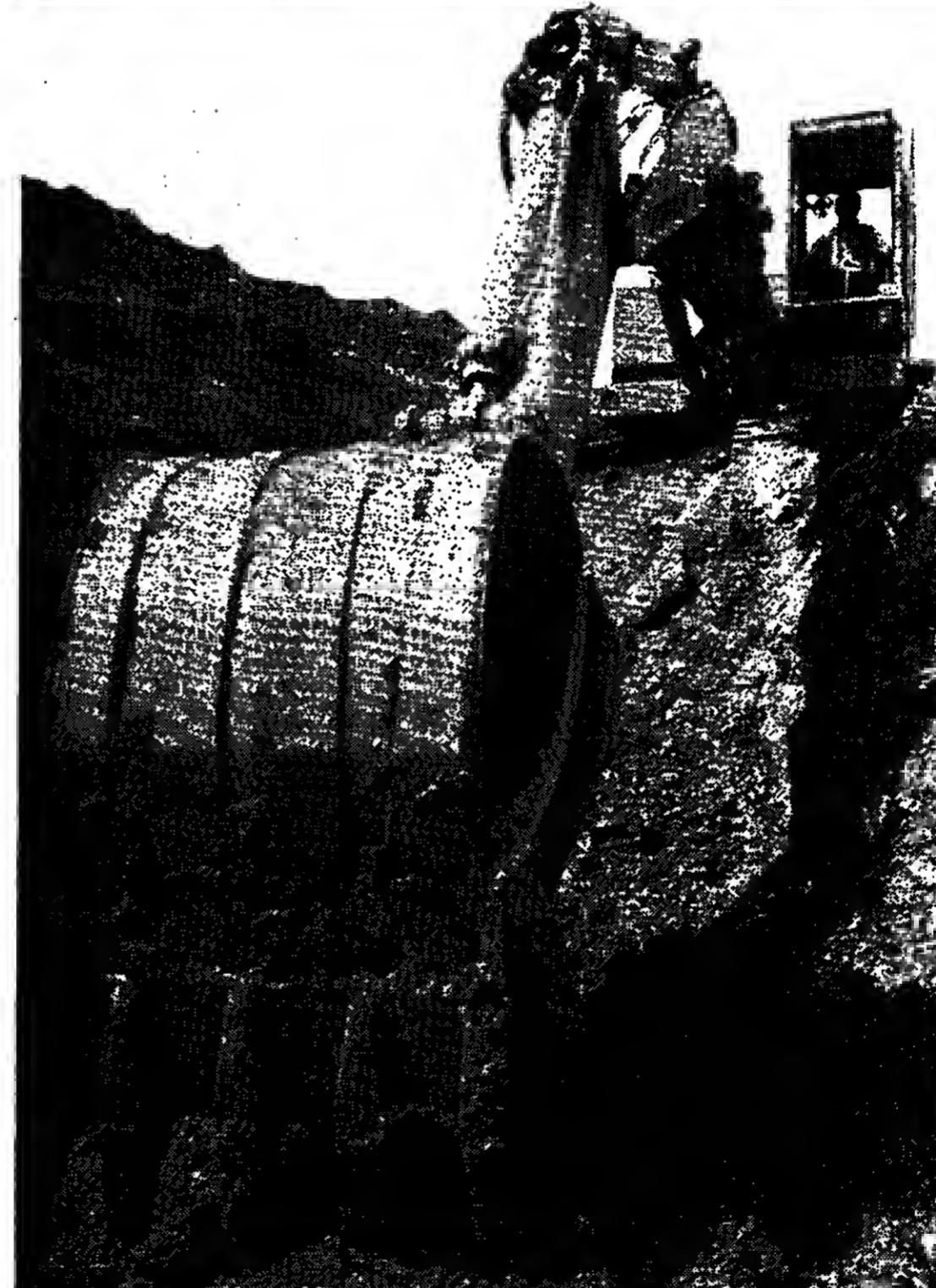
in the short final part of the book which Stewart calls The Partitioned Soul. The extraordinary catalogue of contradictions and inconsistencies set out by Stewart, still cannot entirely obliterate the conviction of one's youth that Lawrence was a Man.

There are some excellent photographs in the book, some published for the first time. Maps, notes and an index complete Stewart's study which is compulsive reading.

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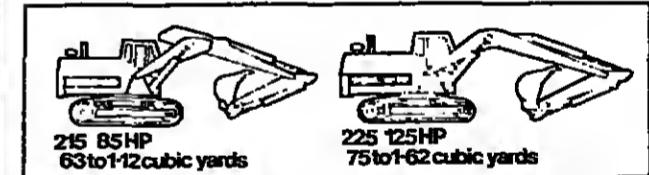


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**Botham brilliant****India goes down to innings defeat**

EDGBASTON, England, July 17 (AP) — A shattering new ball burst by Ian Botham brought England victory over India in the first Test Monday by an innings and 83 runs.

Botham struck with India's second innings score at 142 for four and 70 minutes left on the fourth day. India had a clear chance of extending the match into the fifth day, but it was all over 40 minutes later, six wickets falling in 11 overs.

Botham took four five overs and Mike Hendrick slipped in for two.

Nobody, not even Viswanath, who followed up his first innings fight by playing in his own studied way for 135 minutes, could put the bat on the ball with any reliability. It moved too sharply off the pitch.

Viswanath edged to Taylor, ending a 70-minute stand with Arnamath for the fifth wicket. Botham had Arnamath and Venkat lbw and Hendrick collected a slip catch to dispose of Kapil Dev.

Hendrick trapped Reddy lbw and wrapped up the match when Ghavri clipped a catch to Randall at cover.

England could have finished the match sooner but for a spell of wet fielding during the afternoon.

Bob Taylor missed stumping chances when Viswanath, on 32, and Arnamath were stranded down the pitch by Edmonds. In the same spell, Hendrick lost a short leg chance when Viswanath, then 31, turned a ball off his legs, and Brearley failed to hold an edge by Arnamath, also off Edmonds.

In the morning, India attacked

with confidence. Still 329 away from making England bat again, openers Gavaskar and Chauhan drove the new ball crisply, making 57 in the first hour. Then the spinners were seen off, Gavaskar sweeping Miller for three boundaries in two overs.

At lunch the score was 117 for no wicket, but the first over after the break saw the start of the slide. Gavaskar was caught off his glove from a vicious ball from Hendrick. Chauhan drove Willis straight to cover with a loose shot and Venkateswaran was picked up at short leg off Hendrick.

The Gaekwad-Viswanath stand for the fourth wicket lasted almost an hour before Botham, in the middle of a superb long spell of medium pace outswingers, finally induced Gaekwad to drive and edge to third slip.

David Gower's double century won him the Player of the Match award.

## County

In country cricket, Surrey gave a weakened Kent attack a mauling at the Oval Monday and it was former Kent left-handed spinner, Grahame Clinton, who led the assault with a maiden first class century.

Clinton, who joined Surrey from Kent at the end of last season, reached his century in 254 minutes and batted a total of five hours 10 minutes for his 134, which included 18 fours.

Kent was without Kevin Jarvis, one of its opening bowlers, and West Indian John Shepherd, who took the wicket of Alan Butcher before following Jarvis off the field with an injury.

Most of the big names were closely bunched in the leading group until the closing stages of the 119.5-kilometer circuit begin-



**LEADING:** The leading group just before the finish of the Tour de France stage ending at Les Menhires. From right are Bernard Hinault, France, Joop Zoetemelk, Holland, Lucien van Impe, Belgium, Giovanni Battaglin, Italy, Michel Pollentier, Belgium, and John van der Velde, Holland.

**On Tour in Alps****Zoetemelk zooms to stage win**

L'ALPE D'HUEZ, France, July 17 (R) — Dutchman Joop Zoetemelk won Monday's 18th stage of the Tour de France with a stunning uphill finish, crossing the line nearly 50 seconds ahead of overall leader Bernard Hinault of France.

Zoetemelk, who has finished second in the Tour on four occasions, started two minutes and 45 seconds behind Hinault but gave determined proof that he did not intend to be the bridesmaid again this year.

Third was defending champion Hinault, who kept the overall lead.

Hinault and Zoetemelk are now well ahead of their nearest rivals but the battle for third place is still

fierce, with uphill specialist Joaquim Agostinho of Portugal towards the finishing line Zoetemelk attacked and Hinault could not stay with him.

The Dutchman crossed the line about 40 seconds ahead of Lucien van Impe of Belgium, who hugged close behind Hinault but broke away in the last moments.

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**Archery meeting split over S. Africa**

BERLIN, July 17 (AP) — Fifteen nations have withdrawn from the World Archery Championships to protest participation by South Africa and Zimbabwe-Rhodesia, cutting the field to 28 teams for Tuesday's scheduled first round.

The Soviet Union and China started the walkout of the championships in West Berlin over the weekend after the International Archery Federation (FITA) rejected a Soviet demand to expel the two countries.

Poland, Hungary, Romania and Czechoslovakia joined the boycott Monday, as did India, Finland, Yugoslavia and Ireland.

Guatemala, Hong Kong,

Morocco, Mexico and Mongolia failed to send officials to the team captain's meeting they had joined the walkout.

A record 43 nations had sent teams to West Berlin. There were 21 nations entered at the last championships in 1977 in Canada.

Twenty-seven teams attended the opening ceremony Monday afternoon on a field outside the 1936 Olympic stadium, with West Berlin Mayor Dietrich Stobbe announcing the start of shooting Tuesday.

South African Archery Federation President James Truter received the biggest round of applause from spectators — punctuated by a few whistles of displeasure — when he marched onto the field carrying the national flag.



**OVETT WINS:** Britain's Steve Ovett wins the 1,500 meters at a Crystal Palace meeting this week. Tuesday Oslo's "Golden Mile" was run, a race in which several of the world's top milers were determined to make him eat humble pie. Ovett, who decided on Friday not to defend the title he won in Tokyo last September, said it would be "a hollow victory for whoever wins the race. I know I am the best in the world and I am not bothered about the Golden Mile." American Steve Scott, who has run the second fastest mile in the world this year, was quick to hit back. He accused him of dodging top quality rivals. "I don't like Ovett talking about us the way he has been. He is ducking us, not the other way around."

**Elizabeth Onyambu, aged 12****Kenya's bright young athletics hope**

NAIROBI, July 17 (R) — Kenya's latest Olympic hope is a 12-year-old schoolgirl who runs in bare feet, stands five feet tall and weighs under 90 pounds.

Fraile-looking Elizabeth Onyambu gained immediate attention when she appeared in her first international meeting in Nairobi last month. She won the women's 1,500 meters, beating Kenyan star Rose Thomson, an all-American games bronze medalist, into second place.

When she lined up against a strong field no one gave her any chance of finishing near the front, but she finished well ahead of the pack in four minutes 23 seconds.

She said: "I now aim for an Olympic medal in Moscow next year. I feel much encouraged after this against mature athletes with international experience."

At the East and Central African Championships in Mombasa two

**Seeds through in Sweden**

MARTIN and eighth seeded Frenchman Patrick Prosky both won easily while seventh seed Kjell Johansson of Sweden battled through to beat Frenchman Christopher Roger-Vasselin 6-4, 6-4.

Britain's Andrew Jarrett upset West German Karl Meiler 6-3, 4-6, 6-1. Jarrett, 21, surprised Meiler with a strong first service, and a two handed backhand, which forced the West German into many errors.

Jarrett, ranked fifth in Britain, meets fourth seeded Australian Mark Edmundson or Egypt in Ismail Shafei in the second round.

Frenchman Georges Goven looked like a loser against Venezuelan Jorge Andrew, but recovered to win.

**Hurt Maier out of action for 3 months**

MUNICH, July 17 (R) — Sepp Maier, West Germany's World Cup goalkeeper, will be out of action for at least three months after a car crash at the weekend.

Bayer Munich club chairman Willi Hoffmann said here Tuesday, though, that "he's getting on much better than I would have dared to hope."

Maier, 35, who broke two ribs, his breastbone and right arm when his car was in collision with two other vehicles on Saturday night, was "already sitting up in bed, exercising his legs and cracking jokes again."

Maier, capped 95 times for West Germany, is expected to be in hospital for three weeks.

Two women in one of the other cars were seriously injured but the driver of the third vehicle escaped unharmed.

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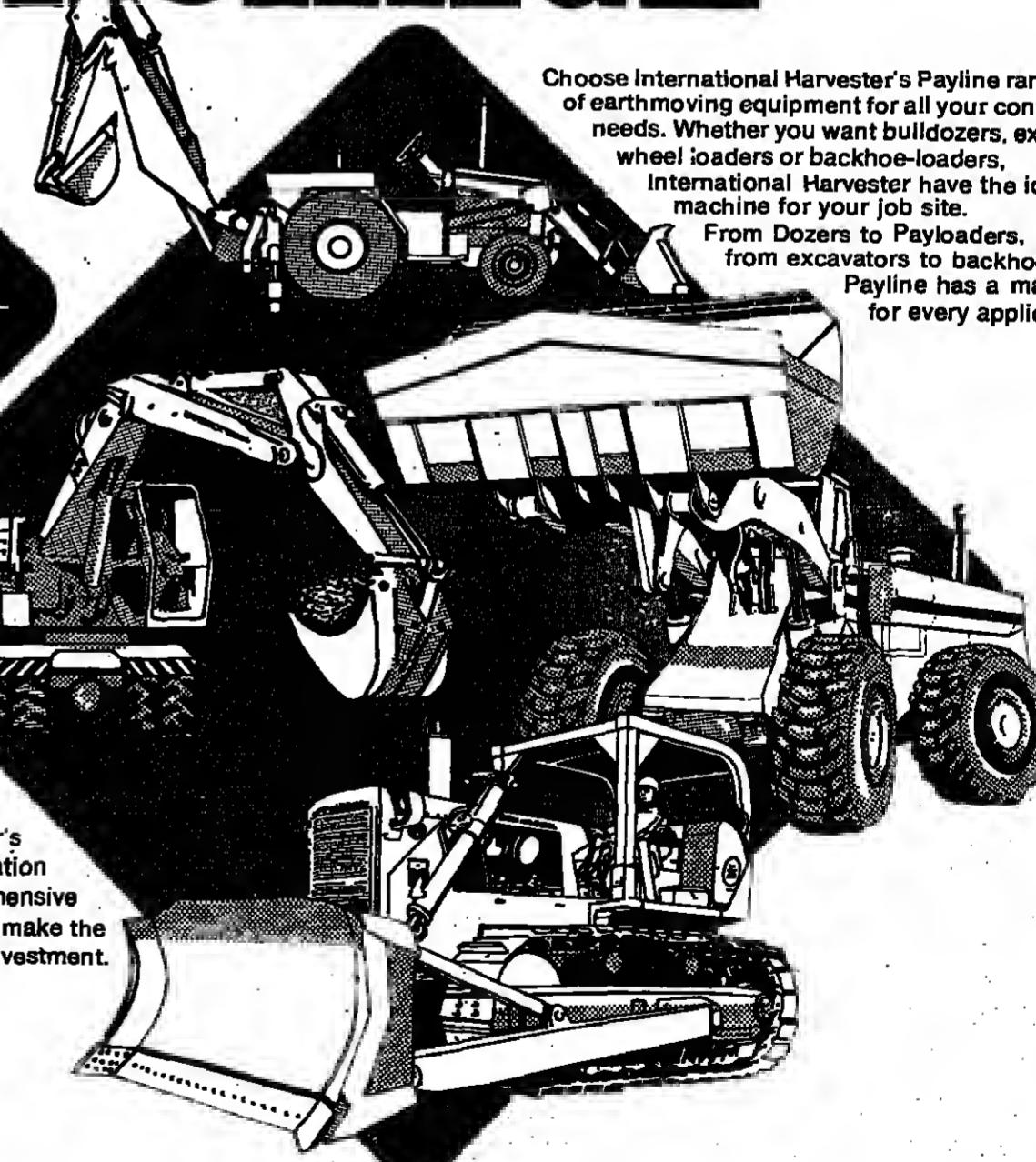
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## International

### OPEC lauds speech

## Support builds for Carter program

WASHINGTON, July 17 (Agencies) — Key congressmen are promising quick action to help stop what President Jimmy Carter calls the "energy war."

Carter's \$ 142.2 billion energy program, including his decision to set import quotas that would slash U.S. dependence on foreign oil, was well received in virtually all sections of U.S. society.

Carter appealed Tuesday for bipartisan congressional support for his energy proposals, and said he wants enactment of his proposed "windfall profits" tax before Congress begins its August recess.

Carter's comments were reported by Democratic and Republican congressional leaders who attended a White House breakfast meeting. House Democratic Whip John Brademas of Indiana said here appeared to be "significant bipartisan support" for the president's energy proposals.

Brademas said some Republicans were not enthusiastic about parts of the program, including the windfall profits tax and a proposed Energy Security Corporation to spur the search for new energy sources.

Carter's fellow Democrats, who control Congress, praised his

sombre address to the nation Sunday as his best speech as president. Republican leaders also generally responded favorably. And labor leader George Meany, the president of the AFL-CIO, who often has been at odds with Carter over energy policy, pledged his support. Meany said the program was "good, long overdue and warrants the support of Americans."

The reaction apparently

### Well, sort of Carter spells out policy

DETROIT, July 17 (AP) — U.S. President Jimmy Carter spent Monday traveling from city to city spelling out his energy program. But at one point his spelling ability apparently failed him.

A communications worker asked Carter what he had done to fulfill a campaign promise to cut the number of bureaucrats in the army and navy. Just how many generals and admirals are there?, the worker asked.

"I'll have to find out the exact number and let you know," Carter replied. "If I could get your exact address, I'll get you the number and mail it to you personally," Carter said, joining the audience in laughter.

"The exact address is 8155 Van Nuys Boulevard," the delegate said.

"81 what?" Carter asked.  
"8155 Van Nuys Boulevard, Panorama City."

"How do you spell Boulevard?" asked the president of the United States.

"B-L-V-D."

"Thank you," said Carter. "You'll hear from me within a week."

### Call for 'European man'

## Europe parliament opens session

STRASBOURG, France July 17 (AP) — The historic first session of the directly elected European Parliament of the nine Common Market nations opened here Tuesday morning with demonstrations and a minor embarrassment.

The Reverend Ian Paisley, the fiery Northern Irish nationalist leader, rose as the session opened to protest that the two Union Jacks flying outside the parliament building had been hoisted upside down — a not uncommon mistake — and to demand assurance

### Gas wanted by thieves in S. Africa

DURBAN, South Africa July 17 (AP) — Organized syndicates are stealing hundreds of thousands of dollars in gasoline, oil companies and garage owners said Tuesday.

Two garage owners here complained that thieves had siphoned gasoline from their bulk storage tanks to a tanker truck, stealing 2,000 gallons at a time.

In another theft, thieves reportedly siphoned 200 gallons of gasoline from a garage to a van fitted with a hand pump and drums.

CALTEX oil spokesman Keith Bewick in Cape Town said oil companies were battling with organized efforts to steal huge quantities of gasoline.

ances that it not happen again.

The point made, he was interrupted by Louise Weiss of France, at 86 the oldest member of the outgoing, indirectly-elected body, who was presiding until the election of a new president.

The election was expected to go to Simone Veil, former French Health Minister, following a decision of the Christian Democrat bloc to support her candidacy.

Hundreds of demonstrators, mostly Italian, gathered outside the building Tuesday morning to protest her pro-abortion record.

As health minister, she pushed a liberalized abortion law through the French National Assembly in 1975.

Other groups of demonstrators, up to 1,000 strong, supported other causes outside the building.

European federalism, the right of minorities to get elected to the body, more power for the near-powerless parliament, a common European currency, and reform of the British electoral system to give a fairer deal to the small Liberal Party were some of the causes involved.

In her opening speech, Mme. Weiss called for the Common Market to create "Europeans."

"The Community institutions have created European beetroot, butter, cheese, and veal. They have not created European men. These European men existed in the middle ages, in the renaissance, in the century of light and

LYTHAM ST. ANNES, England, July 17 (R) — The 1979 British Open Golf Championship begins at Royal Lytham and St. Annes tomorrow, and once again the overwhelming favorites for the title are Americans Tom Watson and Jack Nicklaus.

The two are rated the candidates most likely to succeed whenever and wherever they play. Watson won the British Open in 1975 and 1977 and has been making money at an unprecedented rate this year on the U.S. tour, where he has already set an earnings record of more than \$ 378,000.

Nicklaus is the defending champion this time after a third open victory last year over the old course at St. Andrews, Scotland.

Despite their achievements, there are reasons this time for discounting both men as major contenders at Royal Lytham. Nicklaus is now 39 and hasn't won a tournament since last year though he came close in the U.S. Masters in April when he placed fourth, one stroke behind.

Watson has had four victories this year, but none in a major event and he has developed the discomforting habit in recent months of blowing up in the final round.

Jack Nicklaus

Nicklaus says his problem has been his putting while Watson blames his driving, but both say they have isolated the difficulty and found the cure. Nicklaus credits his son Jack Junior for telling him: "Dad, you are looking awkward over the putter, you're breaking up the strokes and not hitting through the ball."

As a result, Nicklaus says he feels comfortable on the greens for the first time in a long while. He also discovered recently that the putter he has used for years was bent, and straightening it has also helped him recover his putting touch.

Tom Watson

Watson's game reached its low point at the U.S. Open in Toledo, Ohio, last month, where he failed in the closing rounds of the 36-hole cut. "I did not have any confidence in my swing. But I've worked hard on it at home in Kansas City. The doubts are gone and I feel I am playing quite a bit better now," the 29-year-old American said.

British bookmakers quote Watson at 5-1 and Nicklaus at 7-1 to win the title, and if they have both really solved their problems they could dominate the championship. Should they falter there is a host of hopeful waiters, many of them Americans. Though a U.S. professional has never won the open at Royal Lytham.

U.S. Open champion Hale Irwin is one possible contender. Ben Crenshaw another. A third American contender is Lee Trevino, who won the title in 1971 and 1972 and who seems to have overcome back problems which plagued him for three years.

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## UAE may increase oil lifting next year

ABU DHABI, July 17 (AP) — Oil Minister Mana Said Oteiba said Tuesday the United Arab Emirates may increase oil production next year.

Oteiba, the current chairman of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, made it clear, however, that the production increase would depend on economic and political considerations as much as technical requirements of UAE's oil fields.

Oteiba was speaking to Japanese journalists accompanying Japanese Trade Minister Masaru Esaki who is in Abu Dhabi on the last stop of his tour to seek oil from Arab countries.

"We have fixed our production for the rest of this year. But there is a possibility of increasing it next year. It depends on the economic and political behavior in the world and the technical requirements of our fields," he said.

The UAE currently produces 1.4 million barrels of crude oil a day, but has a capacity of over two million barrels a day.

Oteiba said over the next three months the Upper and Lower Zakhum fields will come on stream which could increase outputs by a further 500,000 barrels a day, and in early 1980, another smaller field, the Arzana, will start producing at the rate of 50,000 barrels a day.

The UAE also wishes to increase direct sales to consumer countries rather than through international companies, he said.

"I believe in this policy and will happen gradually. No decision has been taken as to which countries will be receiving our oil, but will go to 'friendly countries,' he said.

## Lebanon's new cabinet seeking vote of confidence

BEIRUT, July 17 (R) — Lebanese President Elias Sarkis Tuesday conducted the first meeting of a new cabinet formed by Prime Minister Selim Hoss Mon-

officer, Major Saad Haddad, has set up his own "free state" in a southern border strip.

The new government, which placed an eight-member cabinet of technocrats formed by Hoss more than two-and-a-half years ago, was seen as another attempt to reconcile the various factions and restore normal life to the country.

An official statement quoted President Sarkis as saying in opening the session that the state could not carry out its domestic and foreign roles unless its institutions are strong.

This particularly applied to the Army, "the symbol of independence and national sovereignty," the President said.

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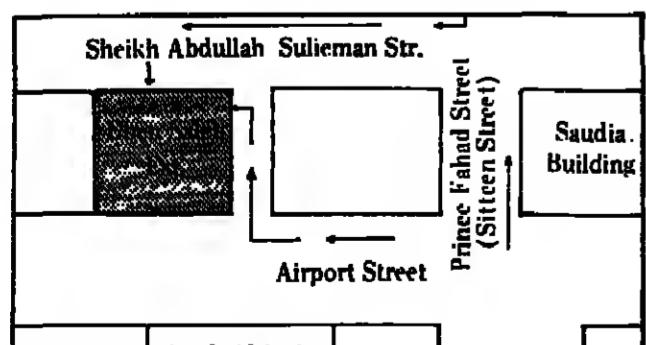
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